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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED SEPTEMBER 1, 2009

Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed on September 1, 2009, Applicant submits this response to the issues raised therein.

Election/Restriction Under 35 U.S.C. § 121

The Restriction Requirement indicates that the present application includes claims directed to Inventions I and II that are related as sub-combinations. Specifically, the Restriction Requirement identifies Group I including Claims 117-127 and 129-130 and Group II including Claim 128, and requests election to one group of claims. Without conceding to the correctness of this determination or the requirement for election, Applicant respectfully elects herewith Group I including Claims 117-127 and 129-130 without traverse, and withdraws herein Group II including Claim 128.